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SETTING UP OF CENTRAL UNIVERSITIES
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Educational Consultants India Ltd. (EDCIL) in a report submitted to the M/o Human Resource Development has favoured the functioning of the sixteen proposed Centrai Universities to come up in the next five years on lines of American varsities and Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU);

(b) if so, the need for this reformation in higher education and the purpose sought to be achieved;

(c) whether the Indian system of education is different from the American system of education; and

(d) if so, the details and facts thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT(SMT. D. PURANDESWARI)

(a) With a view to raising the gross enrolment ratio in higher education sector in the country, it is proposed to establish ons Central University in each of the 16 States which do not have a Central University. In this context, the Educational Consultants India Ltd. has prepared a Model Project Report for establishment of a new Central University. It provides for a broad framework and development plan for a new Central University, which could be adopted by all new Central Universities with necessary modifications depending upon the actual requirements and academic pursuits of the respective Universities. The Project Report does not propagate copying of any foreign model of institutions.

(b) Does not arise.

(c)&(d) Modern university education in India has largely evolved from the British model of institutions.